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TAGS: PFOR EG IS MOPS

SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN PRESS CAMPAIGN

1. TODAY'S PRESS CARRIES BANNER HEADLINES HIGHLIGHTING BUILDUP OF TENSION ON EGYPTIAN FRONT. SPECIFICALLY, IT REPORTS EGYPTIAN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT DOWNED ONE ISRAELI PHANTOM AND DROVE OFF OTHERS WHEN ISRAELIS ATTEMPTED RAID EGYPTIAN POSITIONS NEAR EIN EL SOKHNA. PRESS ADDS THIS WAS SECOND ISRAELI AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN TWENTY FOUR HOURS. QUOTING ALLEGED ISRAELI SOURCES, IT ALSO GIVES PROMINENT PLAY TO REPORTED EGYPTIAN MILITARY MOVEMENTS AND EGYPTIAN SECOND AND THIRD ARMIES' HIGH STATE OF READINESS.

2. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO INDEPENDENT CONFIRMATION TWO ISRAELI JETS WERE IN FACT DOWNED. OBVIOUSLY IN-CONFIDENTIAL

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SPIRED PRESS STORIES HAVE A DUBIOUS CHARACTER TO THEM.

WELL ORCHESTRATED EFFORT IS CLEARLY UNDERWAY TO KEEP
LEVEL OF TENSION HIGH IN ORDER IMPRESS BOTH USG AND
ISRAEL NEED FOR URGENT MOVEMENT ON DISENGAGEMENT.
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